

TOWN COMMON

TOWN OF BARRINGTON QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

January 2016 - March 2016

TOWN SERVICES & PHONE NUMBERS	
Town Administrator:	664-9007
Emergency #'s:	911
Recreation Department:	664-5224
Police Department:	664-7679
Fire Department:	664-2241
School District:	664-2715
Public Works:	664-0166
Transfer Station:	664-2446
Land Use:	664-5798
Building Department:	664-5183
Selectmen's Office:	664-9007
Tax Office:	664-2230
Town Clerk:	664-5476
Library:	664-9715
Town Planner:	664-0195

SELECTMAN'S OFFICE Monday—Thursday: 8:00 AM—4:30 PM

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE Mon/Tues/Thurs: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM Wednesday: 1:00 PM-6:00 PM

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE Mon/Tues/Thurs: 8:00 AM-1:00 PM Wednesday: Noon-6:00 PM

BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM—NOON

LAND USE OFFICE Monday- Thursday: 8:00 AM-3:00 PM

RECREATION DEPARTMENT Monday- Friday: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

LIBRARY

Mon/Fri: 10:00 AM-6:00 PM Tues/Thurs: 10:00 AM-7:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM-8:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT Monday—Friday: 7:00 A. M. - 3:00 P.M.



PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION

Selectmen's Meetings Contact Suzanne McNeil, Selectmen's Clerk, 664-0148

Planning Board Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., BES Annex

Conservation Commission 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m., BES Annex

Zoning Board 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., BES Annex

Library Trustees 3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Public Library

Recreation Commission 3rd+ Monday, 6:00 p.m., Town Gym

Heritage Commission Meets as needed. Contact Marika, 664-5195

Fire Department Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., Public Safety Building

EMS Department 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Public Safety Building

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS: Every effort will be made to hold a Public Hearing on the posted day and time. However, in the event of inclement weather, power outage or other adverse condition, the Town may choose to cancel a meeting or event.

This information will be conveyed to the local newspaper, WOKQ radio, Channel 9 news, Town website and Town telephones & on the Town Library Website Please note that not all the media/communication sources as listed above may be available during emergency or adverse conditions.



PROPOSED BARRINGTON TOWN HALL QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Residents have posed a number of questions to the Board of Selectmen to better understand the reasons for the proposal to build a new Town Hall on the site of the old Town Hall which is scheduled to be demolished this fall. Below are answers from the Board to questions posed to date, grouped by topic, along with directions to consultant reports, architect materials and other detailed information available online. Additional questions can be sent to the Selectmen at townhall@metrocast.net; we'll add any new Q&As to this document.

Current Town Offices Building/Rental:

Q: What is the annual cost to the town to rent the present office space on Route 125?

A: The total cost for the rental of space in 2015, including the off-site storage space, is \$61,933. In addition, we pay about \$860 monthly for electricity and \$7,000/year for heat.

Q: Why can't we just buy the building the town offices are in now?

A: The assessed value of the building and lot is \$481,100. The Selectmen did consider purchasing the building, and the owner gave a ballpark sale price in the \$750,000 range. The Selectmen have not attempted to negotiate a sale for the following reasons:

The space is inadequate for the town's needs for a number of reasons (see Space Needs question below). We would need to purchase

additional land to expand the building and parking lot to meet the town's needs, or take additional land under eminent domain, an option the Selectboard was not comfortable with.

The configuration of the present space is not well suited to the town's needs. The interior would need to be significantly reconfigured and expanded to include meeting space and storage.

The entrance/exit for the site on busy Route 125 is dangerous.

Q: Why don't we just continue to rent the building we are using?

A: The Selectmen have concluded that the building does not meet the town's needs, for the reasons detailed in replies to other questions. We will continue to rent this location as long as we don't have a better option, and as long as the owners wish to continue the relationship at a fair rental rate. The cost of renting versus the annual cost of a bond payment for a new Town Hall building is addressed below.

Location:

Q: Why is the location of the old Town Hall on Ramsdell Lane being proposed as the site for the new Town Hall?

A: The proposed site has many advantages: since it is already owned by the town, it is the least expensive building lot; it is centrally located in town; it will allow for storage space for the Rec Dept next to the Rec's playing fields; there is adequate space for parking; the lot is a "known quantity" and will be less expensive to develop than other properties owned by the town.

Q: Will there be space for a new library on the same site as the proposed Town Hall?

A: Yes, there is space for a future new library building on the site, with shared parking and potentially some shared infrastructure (well, septic). The town and the Library Trustees are using the same architect, who is designing the town hall with a prospective library in mind. This shared location adjacent to the present library/Rec building (which the Rec would fully occupy when the library moves to a new building) has other advantages, since both the Rec and Library serve the school population at the ECLC on a daily basis and the Library also supports the summer camp program participants on rainy days.



Q: What about a site in the Village District, such as behind Calef's Store, the building on Commerce Way, or next to Public Safety Building?

A: The Selectmen have looked at these sites and others in the Village District.

The Calef family has offered to sell the 14 acre lot behind the Country Store to the town, but the price for the land would add significantly to the cost of the project (about 25%). Since the town owns an acceptable alternative sit (Ramsdell), the Selectmen felt it was fiscally unwise to pursue this site.

The building on Commerce Way is essentially a shell requiring significant reconstruction to serve as office and storage space, is no larger than the present office space, and lacks sufficient land for parking. The Selectmen concluded the site is inadequate to meet the town's needs.

The Public Safety Building is on a lot which has considerable wetlands, rendering much of it unbuildable. We also need to preserve what little buildable land exists there for future expansion of the police/fire/rescue facility. The land adjacent to the Christmas Dove was offered to the town. The town evaluated the property when it was available to us and determined that it would not support two buildings (town hall and library), and the offer of the land has since been withdrawn by the family for business reasons.

The Proposed Building:

Q: With use of technology, can't we store more records electronically and save on storage space?

A. State Law requires municipalities to retain paper records (RSA Chapter 33-A -disposition of municipal records, section 33-A:3-a.) We are currently renting 1,000 square feet of storage space to house town records offsite. Off-site storage is inconvenient and inefficient when staff needs to access historical documents and return files to the storage unit.

Q: What cost savings and green building concepts are included in the proposal?

A. The new town office building has been located on the site to take advantage of passive solar heat gain, but then incorporates a large overhang to shade the windows during the hottest months of the year. This orientation also allows the town to incorporate a roof mounted PV (solar) array in the future if it wishes.

We have designed the project around a high performance thermal envelope with insulating concrete form (ICF) walls; spray foam and cellulose in the attic and insulation under the concrete slab provide R-values in excess of the energy code. This strategy also provides a very tight enclosure, minimizing heat loss through air infiltration. Heating and cooling of the building is provided through high efficiency air source heat pumps and an integrated energy recovery ventilation system.

Lighting is provided by LED fixtures with integrated daylight and occupancy sensors. Interior finishes are selected around low emitting materials to increase the air quality for the occupants.

Q: What needs does the present town office not meet? Can the proposed building be made smaller? Why do we need meeting space when most committees/boards only meet a couple times a month.

A: The town's architect conducted a detailed space analysis to determine exactly how much space we need to house town offices and conduct the town's business, including routine public meetings. That analysis is posted on the town website. (Go to the home page—www.barrington.nh.gov—and scroll down to "Where do I go for?", then click on "Town Hall Studies".) We assumed that town office staff would not grow appreciably in the coming years, so did not incorporate excess space in the office design. The proposed design has 10,104 gross square feet (GSF), less than recommended in the space analysis survey. In addition there is 1,447 GSF of storage space in the basement for use by the Rec Department.

In order to make Selectboard, Planning Board and other public meetings available for viewing on TV or online, we need to have a space where good quality recordings can be made. In addition to sessions of boards and committees, the meeting space is designed to be used by other community groups for public events, and can be subdivided into two smaller meeting areas to accommodate multiple meetings.



Q: If the proposal receives the necessary vote in March, when would the new building be ready to occupy.

A: Late winter or spring 2017. The lease on the rented space expires in August 2017.

Costs of Proposed Building and Related Expenditures:

Q: What will it cost to build the new Town Hall?

A: The Selectboard is in the process of bidding out the project, so that voters can be presented with the actual cost of the proposed Town Hall (plus a standard contingency of about 10% which will only be used in case of unforeseen construction expenses). The amount to be bonded will include ALL costs to occupy the building, such as furniture and equipment, technology, parking lot paving and landscaping, as well as the construction itself.

The cost to each taxpayer will be determined by several factors: the amount of money to be raised, the bond interest rates at the time we go to the Municipal Bond Bank, and the total taxable property in town over which the cost will be spread. We won't have that calculation till early in 2016 when we have the results of the bidding process. As we did last year, we will be able to announce the impact on the tax rate and the annual cost on an average \$250,000 home.

Q: What will the proposed building cost the town to operate annually?

A: As to ongoing operational costs, conceptual energy modeling was performed early in the design process to assess building envelope and mechanical system options. The annual operating expenses with the selected systems were projected to cost \$13,000, based on \$0.19/kwh electric rate. Other systems were projected to cost as high as \$21,000 per year based on average propane costs. As to other normal operating expenses, those are expected to be similar to current costs, except that we won't be paying the landlord's property tax bill (currently \$12,133).

Q: Why has so much been spent on studies? How much has been spent and what for?

A: The town has spent over \$220,000 on studies, including a number of examinations of the old Town Hall's mold and construction problems (totaling \$102,613). \$121,427 has been spent to date on civil engineering and design work related to the proposed new building, including developing the specifications required to put the work out to bid. The air quality problems of the old building, which lead to its evacuation in 2011, were examined by a number of experts in that field. The Selectboard was committed to solving those problems through a renovation of the old building, and brought two proposals to voters over the years. Both proposals were voted down for a number of reasons, the major ones being cost and the lack of confidence that the problems could be solved. Once it became clear that the building could not be renovated to voters' satisfaction, the Board turned to new construction, which has the benefit of greater efficiencies and long term utility.

The reports from all the studies and architectural work are posted on the town website. (Again, go to the home page—www.barrington.nh.gov—and scroll down to "Where do I go for?", then click on "Town Hall Studies".)





Town Clerk's Office

Office Closures

- Monday January 18, 2016 for Civil Rights Day
- Monday February 15, 2016 for Presidents' Day
- Tuesday March 8, 2016 for the Town Election

Visit the Town Clerk's website at: http://barrington.nh.gov/Pages/BarringtonNH_Clerk/index for a list of Town Office terms expiring in March 2016.

You must be a registered voter in Barrington by Tues. Jan. 19, 2016 in order to file for candidacy.

Town Office filing period is from Wed. Jan. 20 through Thur. Jan. 28, 2016 at the Town Clerk's Office.

Mon., Tues., & Thur. 8am-5pm and Wed. 1pm-6pm

On Fri. Jan. 29, 2016 the Town Clerk's Office is open 3pm-5pm for Town Office filing ONLY!!

Important Dates to Remember

Sat., Jan 30 - Deliberative Session @ BMS, 9:00 AM

Voter Registration

Not registered to vote in Barrington?

Register at the Town Clerk's Office before the end of the year to avoid the lines at the registration tables.

You should be prepared to present proof of citizenship, age and domicile.

Citizenship: A birth certificate, a passport, and naturalization papers if the applicant is a naturalized citizen, or any other reasonable documentation which indicates the applicant is a U.S. citizen. If none of these is available, an Affidavit of Citizenship may be completed.

Age: Any reasonable documentation indicating the applicant is 18 years of age or older.

Domicile: Any of the following documents can be submitted as presumptive evidence that the applicant meets the domicile requirement: NH driver's license with Barrington address, NH vehicle registration with a Barrington address, a lease or utility bill with current address. If these are not available, the applicant may complete an Affidavit of Domicile.

ELECTION DATES FOR 2016

All elections are held at the Barrington Middle School on Route 9 from 8am-7pm.

Presidential Primary Election

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

Town & School Election

Tuesday March 8, 2016

NH State Primary Election

Tuesday Sept. 13, 2016

NH State General Election

Tuesday Nov. 8, 2016

Not sure what party you are currently registered under?

You can search for party information and absentee ballot status by accessing the website listed below:

http://app.sos.nh.gov



Town Clerk's Office

THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Continues to accept Online Payments for Vital Records, Renewals of Dog Licensing, and Vehicle Registrations



Online Registration

Go to http://barrington.nh.gov: then click on departments and click on TOWN CLERK. Scroll down and then click on the online payments icon.



Dog Licensing

You will need to have the previous year's license number (which was processed in Barrington) and the rabies information needs to be current in the system before you can renew your dog license.



Vehicle Registration Renewal Requests

You can request your vehicle renewal via E-Reg up to

3 months late and 20 days early for any vehicle you own. Payment by e-check is

accepted where your Town Clerks office prints the check on your behalf. This service is low cost to your municipality and pay as you go for those who choose to use it. Only accept one check. Make payable to Town Clerk Barrington.



Vital Record Requests

Birth Certificates for births occurring outside Barrington, NH are only available for the years 1982 through the present.

Certificates for Marriages occurring outside Barrington, NH are only available for the years 1989 through the present. Death Certificates for deaths occurring outside Barrington, NH are only available for the years 1990 through the present.

Certificates for Divorces occurring outside Barrington, NH are only available for the years 1990 through to 6 months prior to present day.

Starting January 4, 2016

Residents will be able to license their dog(s) with proof of:

- current rabies vaccination certificate
- spaying/neutering certificate

\$7.50 Spayed, neutered and dogs under 7 months old

\$10.00 Dogs that are not spayed or neutered and older than 7 months

\$3.00 Residents who are 65 years old by January 1, 2016 may register **one** dog at the rate of \$3.00.



Residents may mail copies of certificates along with a check made out to:

Barrington Town Clerk PO BOX 660 Barrington, NH 03825



Selectman's Office



The Supervisors of the Checklist will be meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office 333 Calef Highway Barrington.

This session is for correction of the checklist.

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be meeting on Saturday, February 27, 2016
From 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
at the Town Office
333 Calef Highway
Barrington.

This session is for correction of the checklist.

No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day.



Tax Collector's Office

Important Dates

Jan 1st Happy New Year!

Jan 18th Civil Right's Day - office closed

Feb 15th President's Day - office closed

Feb 22nd Notice of Arrearage letters will be mailed out

Mar 1st Deadline for Abatements

The Tax Office hours

Mon., Tue., and Thur. - 8:00am-1:00pm Wed. - 12 noon-6:00pm Fri. - Closed

The Lobby hours

Mon., Tue., Thur. - 7:30am-5:00pm Wed. - 7:30am - 6:00pm Fri. - Closed

We realize these hours may not be the most convenient for your schedule. There is a drop box located in the lobby.

We will process your payment and mail you a paid statement the following business day. Please include your phone number on your check in case we have any questions.

Contact Information

Barrington Tax Collector's Office Mailing: PO Box 660, Barrington, NH 03825 Physical: 333 Calef Hwy, Barrington, NH 03825 Phone: (603) 664-2230

Please call or come in and see us in the tax office if you have any real estate tax questions. Check our website for updates! http://barrington.nh.gov – go to Tax Collector's page.



Department of Public Works—Highway Dept.

New to Town, not sure how things work, or have a question on the proper disposal of an item? Please see the Transfer Station Attendant or call 664-0166.



On behalf of The Barrington Highway Department we would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!

With winter upon us, The Barrington Highway Department would like to remind residents, **Ice and Snow take it slow!**

- Regardless of the vehicle you drive, slow down for winter driving conditions. Even an SUV with four-wheel drive might be unable to stop or maintain control.
- Leave plenty of room between your vehicle and others. It takes more time and distance to stop your vehicle on wet
 roads.
- Avoid using cruise control in winter driving conditions. You need to be in control of your speed based on road
 conditions.

Our snowplow drivers have a big responsibility and need full cooperation from drivers to complete their job safely. Here are a few safety tips to keep in mind while on the roads this winter season.

Safe Travel around Snowplows

1. Don't crowd the plow. Snowplows plow far and wide - sometimes very wide. The front plow extends several feet in front of the truck and may cross the

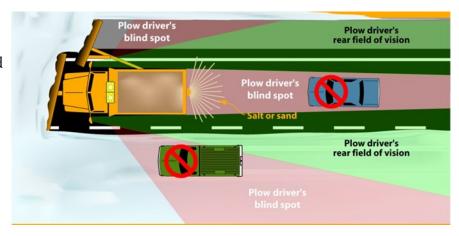
centerline and shoulders during plowing operations.

- 2. Don't tailgate or stop too close behind snowplows. Snowplows are usually spreading deicing materials from the back of the truck may need to stop or take evasive action to avoid stranded vehicles. If you find yourself behind a snowplow, stay behind it or use caution when passing. The road behind a snowplow will be safer to drive on.
- 3. On multiple lane roads, watch for snowplows operating in either lane.
- 4. Snowplows can throw up a cloud of snow that can reduce your visibility to

zero in less time than you can react. Drive smart. Never drive into a snow

cloud - it could conceal a snowplow.

- 5. Snowplows travel much slower than posted speeds while removing snow and ice from the roads. When you spot a plow, allow plenty of time to slow down.
- 6. A snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them but they may not see you
- 7. Plows turn and exit the road frequently. Give them plenty of room.



S = Keep this area clear

This allows the plow to

unload before driveway



Department of Public Works-Highway Dept.

Winter is right around the corner!



Parking

Please remember that the Town of Barrington has a year round parking ordinance that bans parking on all town roads. Any vehicles obstructing snow and ice removal operations will be towed at the direction of the Barrington Police Department and at the owner's expense.

Pile

Snow

Driveway

Placement of Snow

The Town of Barrington has an ordinance against snow being plowed, shoveled, blown or places onto a Town road or across the road to the opposite side. The Barrington Police Department will do enforcement.

Snow Fort Warning!



Kids love to make snow forts and igloos on top of and inside big piles of snow. It's natural for kids to want to play in the biggest snow pile, because it makes for a

bigger fort. But the biggest snow piles are often close to the road, which creates an extreme hazard for children when snowplows are in operation. Please be aware that even after the snow has stopped, snowplows may still be "pushing back" snow to widen travel lanes, and may not see your child if he/she is playing in a snow pile close to the road. So have fun with snow forts and

igloos, but well away from the road.

Mailboxes

Mail and newspaper boxes are allowed in the right away at the homeowner's risk. The following are suggestions for resolving the possibility of damage. 1. Mailboxes should, whenever possible be installed a minimum of at least 3 feet from the edge of the pavement. 2. Installation should be sufficiently sturdy to withstand the weight of heavy snow resulting from plowing operations.

The Town of Barrington does not replace mailboxes.

Trash Receptacles

If you have your trash picked up, please make sure that all bins are at least 10-15 feet in your driveway and not on the side of the road during snow removal operations.

Sand

Sand is available to the residents of Barrington and is located in the Citizens shed outside the Transfer Station gate. Residents are limited to 3 five gallon buckets. Bring your own container and shovel.

All ordinances can be found on our website: http://barrington.nh.gov/Pages/BarringtonNH Highway/index

As always when you see the Highway Department crews out in Town, please show them respect by being patient, slowing down and giving them plenty of room. Sometimes their views and hearing can be impaired by the equipment they are using. Thank you!



Don't forget to like us on Facebook for up to date road conditions during inclement weather!



Department of Public Works-Transfer Station

Transfer Station and Recycling Center

Winter hours are in effect for the Transfer Station and Recycling Center.
Tuesdays: 1:00pm -5:00pm
Saturdays: 8:00am-5:00pm
You can purchase Barrington Trash Bags at the Recycling Center Building.
A package of Large Bags is \$13.00 and a package of Small Bags is \$9.00.

Purchase them at: Calef's Country Store, George Calef's Fine Foods, Warren's Hardware, Aubuchon Hardware in Lee, and Market Basket.

Just a reminder plastic bags are not recycled at the Barrington Transfer Station, please bring them to your local grocery store to be recycled.



We would also like to remind everyone that even though we have extended the number of plastic that can be recycled here in Barrington, NOT everything is recyclable. Please make sure that the items that you are recycling are the correct items. This information is located on our website: http://www.barrington.nh.gov/Pages/BarringtonNH Transfer/singlestream.pdf or copies are available at the Transfer Station.

New to Town?

- We are a pay as you throw facility, Trash should be in Green Town of Barrington Trash bags. Package of large 33 gallon bags 10 count -\$13.00. Package of small 15 gallon bags 10 count-\$9.00
- Bulk items and Electronic items
 have a fee to dispose of them,
 please see the Transfer Station Attendant for pricing. The price list is
 also located on our website.
- We are a Single Stream recycling facility- all recyclable material can go in one container! Check out the recycling chart on our website.
- Make sure you get your Barrington
 Transfer Station Permit Sticker, you
 will need to show a valid I.D. or cur rent bill with you Barrington address
 on it.
- Cash or Check are the only method of payment that is accepted at the Transfer Station
- Plastic bags are not recycled at the Transfer Station, please re-use them or bring them back to your local grocery store to be recycled.

Please call 664-0166 if you have any questions

GROUPS THAT MEET AT THE LIBRARY

Check our online calendar for dates and times at http://www.barringtonlibrary.com

Genealogy Club
Knitters Group
Barrington Bloomers
Democratic Committee
Friends of the Library (2nd Wed. at 7PM)

Do you need meeting space? Call Amy at 664-0193 to discuss possible dates/times. A meeting room use agreement can be printed from our website above.

Library Book & Movie Discussions

We'll be doing a Book and Movie club this session! Come at 6pm to watch the flick, then stay to discuss the two! Popcorn provided! The library's adult book discussion group meets on the fourth Thursday of each month.



January 28th - The 100 year old man who climbed out the window and disappeared by Jonas Jonasson

February 25th - Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn

March 24th - The Hundred-Foot Journey by Richard Morais

April 28th - A Walk in the Woods by Bill Bryson



UPCOMING EVENTS

Check for additional events and descriptions that will be added to our library calendar at www.barringtonlibrary.com

Paint Night at the Library!

Thursday, January 7th at 4:30 pm

In this workshop, participants will be using paints and follow along with instructor, Lauren Despins, to create beautiful paintings. (Subject matter to TBA) All supplies provided. (Optional donation may be given to help the library to provide further arts based programming).

Class is for Barrington residents only due to limited space/seating for 12 participants. You will be asked to provide your library card number during online registration; if you are a Barrington resident, but do not have a card, please swing in and we'll get you set up with a card, and registered for the program. Online registration starts Dec. 7th.



Health Classes at the Library

CPR Class, Wednesday, January 27, 2016 from 6:00-8:00 pm

Please note that this CPR certification is designed for the general public and is not adequate for EMS or healthcare professionals. \$20.00 per person covers certification.

Register Online: http://www.cprsafe.org/#!heartsaver-cpraed/c20yr

Book Sale @ BMS

Tuesday, February 9th from 8:00 am-7:00 pm



The Friends of the Library and the Library Trustees will be joining forces to have a large used book sale at the Primary! A great selection of used and almost new books, DVDs, music, etc. Many items .25 cents with nice new items only \$1.00 each. Donations for this sale may be dropped off at the library. Donations must be in excellent condition and must be dropped off during open library hours. Please, no old magazines, Harlequin romances, Reader's Digest condensed books, and encyclopedia sets over 10 years old, moldy, ripped,

or worn binding books. We also do not take VHS or cassettes. Textbooks older than 5 years are also not taken. Due to space issues, please drop off items no more than 2 weeks ahead of the sale; we simply don't have any storage space at the library to keep donations before that time frame. Volunteers to man the book sale table that day, and to box and move books before and after the event will be needed. Please call Amy Inglis at 664-0193 if you can help out.

Meet the Candidates

Saturday, February 27th 2016 from 1:00-3:00 pm

The library will host candidates running for town office who wish to have a space to speak with citizens. Candidates will be seated around the library and folks can make the rounds and ask questions of them, have discussions on where candidates stand on issues, and socialize with other citizens.

MindsEye Art & Jewelry Exhibit - March

MindsEye Designs is a vocational program in the creative arts for adults with developmental disabilities in the context of day program services. The primary focus is to encourage and explore creativity, acquire new skills, and to support people in their quest to become working artists.

HANGIN' WITH MY PEEPS @ the Barrington Public Library COMPETITION!



Barrington families and card holders are invited to submit their PEEPS Diorama Scenes based on a BOOK. They will be displayed around the library and judged by patrons March 16th – 19th! All PEEPS dioramas need to be made in a shoebox or item of comparable size –not to exceed 12" X 20".

Those families who are entering a submission will need to REGISTER by March 2nd (forms will be at the library front desk. Submissions will be accepted at the library March 2nd thru the

7th. Judging will take place March 16-19th.



Brewing in New Hampshire March 30th, 2016 6:30pm

Made possible by a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

BES & ECLC Student Art Open House Thursday, April 7, 2016 5-6 PM

Hosted by teacher, Lois Sans, this open house for the community to view student artwork will include light refreshments and the opportunity to view student creations displayed around the library. The display will remain up from April 1st-April 29th.

Youth Events and Activities @ the Library

TEEN WINTER EVENTS at the Barrington Public Library

Middle and High School students are invited to participate in our Winter Events. Register now as space is limited.

January 29th at 4pm

We will be constructing Grappling Guns from common home and office supplies!

February 5th and February 12th at 4pm



Teens will make coil bowls or vases out of clay. They will be allowed to dry for the following weeks meeting when students will glaze their masterpieces! Items will be fired in a kiln and students will be notified for pick-up.

February 26th at 4pm

Video Game Tournament for 10-15 year olds! Register to be a part of our Quarterly Video Game Tournament - Prizes, food, and friends!

March 25th at 4pm

We will be constructing individual bead looms and making wide seed bead bracelets.

The **Teen Book Group** meets on the first Monday of each month at 3:30pm. Members choose titles to read, the library acquires copies for each participant, and they meet monthly to discuss. Join us for snacks and good discussions.

Story Time

Begins January 4, 2016!

(Registration begins December 14th)



Lap-Sit Story Time for 1-3 year olds with an adult will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30am.

Children and their caregivers will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and a variety of activities. Please choose which day of the week you would like to attend, register online, and you have that spot saved in this 10-week session!

Preschool Story Time for independent 4-6 year olds will be held on Thursdays at 11am.

Children will enjoy a couple stories with a related craft.

Easter Egg Hunt March 26th

1-3 YR OLDS @ 11:00 AM and 4-6 YR OLDS @ 1:00 PM

Children will hear a short story in the town gym before they search for eggs hidden in the playground next door (Rain Location will be inside the library. If rain location is chosen we ask that families limit one adult per child inside due to space constraints. Thank you.) There will be tickets in a few eggs for special prizes! Bring your own basket! The Easter Bunny will be visiting so bring your camera too!

Each child may pick a free book from tables in the children's room to take home following the hunt.







Adult Programs

PILATES

Pilates improve mental and physical well-being, increases flexibility, and strengthens muscles through controlled movements done as mat exercises to tone and strengthen the body.

Winter Session I: January 4-February 19 Winter Session II: March 7 - April 22 **PM Class**

When: Tues & Thurs, 6:30-7:30 pm Location: BMS Music Room Cost: \$35/session or \$5.00/drop-in Flex Fit Punch Card: 10 classes for \$35.00 No childcare available

AM Class

When: Wednesdays, 9:15-10:15 am
Location: Town Gym
Res. Cost: \$17.50 per session or \$5.00 drop-in
Flex Fit Punch Card: 10 classes for \$35.00
Childcare available

Instructor: Sheila Varden-Straffin

CIZE Fitness Class

CIZE is a hip hop based exercise class that is so FUN you don't even realize you are working out and burning calories!

Winter Session I: January 9 - February 20
Winter Session II: March 12 - April 23
When: Saturdays, 7:30-8:30am
Location: Town Gym
Res. Cost: \$20 per session or \$5.00 drop-in
No childcare available

Instructor: Tammy Hickey



YOGA

This class combines flowing yoga postures with smooth deep breathing and relaxation. This class is suitable for students of any level and experience.

Sheila is Yoga Alliance Registered and has been teaching for over 10 years.

Winter Session I: January 4-February 19 Winter Session II: March 7 - April 22

Mon/Wed PM Class

When: Mon & Wed, 6:30-7:30 pm Location: BMS Music Room Cost: \$35 per session of \$5.00 per drop-in Flex Fit Punch Card: 10 classes for \$35.00 No childcare available

Tues/Thurs AM Class

When: Tues & Thurs, 9:15-10:15 am
Location: Town Gym
Res. Cost: \$35.00 per session or \$5.00 drop-in
Flex Fit Punch Card: 10 classes for \$35.00
Childcare available

Tues/Thurs PM Class

When: Tues & Thurs, 5:30-6:30 pm Location: BMS Music Room Cost: \$35 per session of \$5.00 per drop-in Flex Fit Punch Card: 10 classes for \$35.00 No childcare available

Instructor: Sheila Varden-Straffin







Adult Programs

ADULT CURLING CLUB

Come and join us as we take to the ice and deliver our tea kettle stones to the house. This program is for all adults who want to socialize and try out the sport of curling.

Date: Thursdays, starting January 14, 2016*

Time: 6:00-8:00pm **Age:** Adults, 18+

Location: Christmas Dove Pond

*Weather permitting



ADULT DROP-IN SPORTS

MEN'S PICKUP BASKETBALL

A non-competitive drop-in program for men. It's a great way to meet new people while getting your workout. This is a more aggressive playground version of pickup basketball.

Who: 25+

Men's: Sundays, 8-10am, year-round, Town Gym

Cost: FREE

ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

This is a recreational drop-in program that's not too competitive. Meet new people, get some exercise, and have fun while playing a teamoriented sport with no pressure.

Who: 18+

When: Thursday Nights, year-round, 8:00pm

Where: Town Gym

Cost: FREE

Parent/Child Programs

Rumpus Room

Rumpus Room is a parent-supervised, drop-in activity for children <u>ages infant to 5 years old</u>. This program is an unstructured playtime where your preschooler can run, jump, hop, roll, tumble and more in a safe environment. We supply the mats, scooters, toys, and climbing structures and you supply the child with the energy!

When: Tuesdays and Fridays beginning: October 20th, 2015 - April 15, 2016

*Certain dates will be closed due to holidays and school closures.

Please refer to the calendar on our website.

Time: 10:45am - 12:00noon (1:00pm starting February 2nd)

Fee: \$3/family resident, \$5/family non-resident Dozen Deal: \$30/resident, \$50/non-resident

**Adults must stay with their child(ren) during Rumpus Room







Senior Adult Programs

Senior Striders: Walking Club

Come join your friends and meet new ones while exercising at the Barrington Recreation Department. The doors will open early so you can walk at your own pace in the comfort of being inside. About 23 laps around the gym equals a mile for those keeping track!

FREE

September 7, 2015 - June 16, 2016, Monday-Thursday

Walking Club!



Time: 8:00-9:00 a.m.
Where: Barrington Town Gym
Who: Senior Adults
Cost: Free

Youth Programs

T-Ball

Indoor T-Ball is an introductory program to get participants interested in the sport.

Dates: Saturdays, March 12 - April 9, 2016

Who: Pre-K (4 yr. old)

Kindergarten (5 yr. old)

Where: Barrington Town Gym

February Vacation Camp

Kids can spend a day with their friends at the REC during February Vacation.

Grades: K - 8th

When: February 23-26, 2016 Time: 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Where: Barrington Town Gym

Cost: \$135 per resident (9:00 AM-5:00 PM) \$155 per resident (7:30 AM - 5:00 PM)

Kid's Day Off Camp

Kids can spend a day with their friends at the REC for the Parent-Teacher Conference Day.

Grades: K - 8th

When: Friday, March 18, 2016 Time: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Where: Barrington Town Gym

Cost: \$35 per resident, \$50 per non-resident

Mark your Calendars!

Registration opens for the 2016-2017 MAP, KAP & ASK Before and After-school Programs on February 16, 2016!

Registration opens for Summer Camp 2016 on February 18, 2016!





Community Events

Community Skating Party

Lace up your skates and bundle up for an exciting evening at the **Christmas Dove Pond** for a community Ice Skating Party! Bring the whole family for some frosty fun!

Date: Saturday, January 23, 2016* Time: 4:00 - 7:00 pm *Weather permitting



Ice Fishing Class

Have you ever wanted to learn the howto's of ice fishing? Come to this <u>free</u> workshop provided by NH Fish & Game!

Date: Saturday, March 5, 2016 Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm Age: All ages Location: Barrington Town Gym

Employment Opportunities

If you would like more information about any of the employment opportunities below please contact the Recreation department at 603-664-5224 for more details.

A.S.K Site Supervisor Summer Camp Director Summer Camp Counselor

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

January 1st - New Years Day **January 18th -** Civil Rights Day

February 22nd - Rec. Dept. President's Day Observed

Contact Information

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Barrington Conservation Commission & Trails Committee

Get to know Barrington's Trails: SATWaSR by Moonlight

Friday, January 22, 2016 at 8:00 PM

The Barrington Conservation Commission and Trails Committee invite you to come for its Third Annual Moonlight Snowshoe or hike on Friday, January 22 at 8PM. Unlike in past years, the plan this year is to hold the hike on the Samuel A Tamposi Water Supply Reserve (SATWaSR), at its Tibbetts Rd entrance.

Experiencing the woods in the moonlight, especially if there is good snow cover, can be a hauntingly beautiful experience. SATWaSR boasts not only healthy hardwood forests, but also we will hike to and on a beaver pond that will be a visual treat under the full moon. We'll also pause occasionally to listen for barred owls or other night-time sounds.

The walking will be easy, about two miles in length along an existing snowmobile trail, though extra care is always needed when walking in the winter at night. We hope that there will be sufficient snow for it to be a snowshoe trek, but we'll walk if conditions dictate. Should it be a walk, there may be patches of ice, so footwear with extra traction is a good idea. Dress warmly enough for the conditions, and though we shouldn't need them for the walk, bring flashlights. We should be finished by around 10 PM.

"Cloud date" is January 23; if conditions are still not good, we will have to wait another month.

Directions to SATWaSR: The meeting place for the hike will be at the parking lot at the end of Tibbetts Road near the gate to SATWaSR. Tibbetts Road is located off of Hall Road 2.3 miles on the right from Rt. 4 or 1.6 miles on the left from Beauty Hill Road.

RSVP to John: crawford@myfairpoint.net.



Barrington Conservation Commission & Trails Committee

GET TO KNOW BARRINGTON'S TRAILS

Tour the Stonehouse Forest with Southeast Land Trust (SELT)
February 6th, 2016 (bad weather back-up date February 13th)
Time 9 a.m.- 11 a.m.

Http://seltnh.org/event/tour-the-stonehouse-forest/

The Barrington Conservation Commission and the Trails Committee are very pleased to announce a "Tour the Stonehouse Forest" Hike with the Southeast Land Trust (SELT). Please do join us and SELT and kick off this most exciting new 1,500 acre project located in Barrington by attending a hike of the Stonehouse Forest property with Land Conservation Director, Duane Hyde. We'll get some great views of several natural ponds, large glacial erratics, streams, and if we are lucky maybe a peak at some of the local wildlife that call this spot home. The hike will mostly be on woods roads, but there will be some portions that will be "bushwhacking" off the trail with uneven terrain that is steep at times. Overall the hike is moderate and will last approximately 2 hours.

Directions:

We will meet at 9:00 am at a woods road entrance to the property on Route 9 / 202 in Barrington. The entrance is just a few hundred feet <u>north of Hearthside Drive</u>. If you have a GPS and enter 261 Franklin Pierce Highway, Barrington it will direct you close to the woods road entrance. This link shows the location of the woods road: <u>HTTPS://goo.gl/maps/ib3wWpFtpiD2</u>

<u>RSVP</u> to let us know you're coming by emailing <u>register@seltnh.org</u>. Suggested donation is \$5 per person. Sponsored by ReVision Energy.

To get on an email list about future hikes in Barrington, or to be removed from the list, please contact Marika at

marika@metrocast.net.

